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**BIT OF ROMANCE.**—A letter from Harrisonburg, Va., in the Baltimore Sun, says:  
"About twenty years ago an infant, aged about five months, was abandoned by its mother and left at the door of the residence of a gentleman near Harrisonburg. A note was left with the child, stating that it had been born the previous December, and requesting that it be named Maria Catherine. It was well dressed, and gave evidence of having been under the care of a person of taste and refinement. The gentleman at whose door the little had been left, having a sufficient family of his own, sent it to the county almshouse, where it was left in the tender care of pauper nurses, and a short while it disappeared from public interest and sight. Last week a letter was addressed to the clerk of Rockingham county, from the mother of the child, making inquiry as to its whereabouts. The mother says she was compelled, from the fear of losing her own and the child's life, to leave it as she did, intending to reclaim it when free to do so. Twenty years have passed and only a few weeks ago death relieved her of this fear, and she immediately took steps to recover her child, who is now, if living, a grown woman. The mother dates her letter from the White Sulphur Springs, where she is spending the summer. The letter is well dictated, but is evidently spelled and written in a disguised manner. Many of our citizens remember the child, and the incident was mentioned in the local papers at the time. Inquiry has been made, but the whereabouts of the child are not yet discovered."

**THE CASE OF BOOKER.**—In the contested election of Mr. George Booker, Representative of the 4th Congressional District of Virginia, the action of the contestant was based on the allegation that Booker, the sitting member, could not take the Test-Oath, because he had held the office of Justice of the Peace under the Confederate Government. Tucker the contestant held, that no one with such antecedents could, without perjury, take the iron oath of office. The phraseology of the oath in question is: "I do solemnly swear that 'I have never fought, nor accepted, nor attempted to exercise the functions of any office whatever, under any authority, or pretended authority in hostility to the United States, &c.'"  
Here is an explicit declaration under oath, that the party has never accepted nor exercised the functions of an office under any authority in hostility to the United States government. There is no qualification of "voluntarily" attached to this, as to some other provisions of the oath but the language is, so plain and explicit, that no one can pretend to misunderstand it. To have held or sought any office under the Confederate government then will, and should prevent the holding any office which requires the taking of the Test-Oath. And yet Representative Booker did hold such office, and did swear that he never held such. No wonder that indignant Radicals in Congress should denounce such an act, and openly declare that "Mr. Booker 'could no more take the Test-Oath without perjury than could Jefferson Davis.'"—*Lyndeb, News.*

**VALLEY ITEMS.**—Ten years ago a tobacco field would have been a curiosity in the Valley, the production of that article being confined exclusively to Eastern Virginia. The production of tobacco is still on a small scale, but for the last four years has been gradually increasing. Good farmers doubt the policy of raising tobacco, as it exhausts land so rapidly, but the profits of raising it being so much greater than grain will be very apt to override any other considerations, and as it has secured a start we may expect in a few years to see the Valley a great tobacco as well as grain section.

At the junction of the North Branch and Shenandoah rivers, in Warren county, a company has established extensive lime kilns and are turning off large quantities of lime for both mechanical and agricultural purposes. No finer limestone deposits exist than are to be found in the Shenandoah valley, along its whole extent. Individual farmers and mechanics have always manufactured sufficient to supply their own wants, but this is the first effort that has been made to manufacture it in any quantity and for outside consumption. With proper transportation accommodations it is sure to be a success. The kilns are on the line of the Orange, Alexandria and Manassas railroad, and the Shenandoah Valley railroad will run close to them. The Company has obtained consent to bridge the Shenandoah river, and other improvements will be added as needed.

**SUMAC.**—This is the season in which to gather sumac, and for the benefit of our country friends we give the following directions how it should be done. The article commands ready sale at prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per hundred pounds according to quality. It can be gathered until the first frost, which turns the leaves red and worthless. It should be cured as much as possible under shelter to preserve its color and strength, and protect it from dew and rain.

Strip the leaves and leaf stems as in pulling fodder. Do not gather twigs or berries. Dry it in the shade under shelter. Stir it often, as in curing hay, till it is perfectly dry. If spread too thickly, or heaped in bulk before dried, it will heat and spoil. Exposure to the sun destroys the color, which must be green.

When cured the stem snaps short and the leaf crumbles in handling. It may then be packed in bags, and is ready for market.—*Fredricksburg News.*  
**A PRETENDED miracle worker, called Dr. Newton, is exciting both public admiration and indignation in London. The other day about two hundred infirm or crippled persons were brought to him by their friends to be cured. Only a small number of spectators were, however, admitted in the building, as a disturbance was expected. Handbills were distributed among the crowd, which assembled outside, denouncing the doctor as an impostor, and concluding by asking:—"Ought not this rascal and his fellow rogues to be drummed from our shores to the tune of the 'Marseilles'?" When Dr. Newton left the chapel he had to slip out the back way and jump into a cab. Notwithstanding the precaution taken he was perceived, and greeted with groans and hisses. A rush was made at the cab, and an attempt was made to upset it, which would probably have been successful but for the interposition of the police.**

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A large stock, a great variety of new styles, beautiful and very cheap at  
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100 bushels MILLOFFAL.

500 bushels prime OATS.

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Real Whale Bone Corsets, all numbers. The new open or Skeleton Corsets. These goods are especially suited to the warm season.

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## HOOP SKIRTS.

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No. 2, ONE LOT, 20 by 80 feet, on Wolfe st.

No. 3, ONE LOT, 20 by 80 feet, on Wolfe st., adjoining on which is a small brick house.

No. 4, ONE LOT, 20 by 80 feet, on Wolfe st., adjoining on which is a small brick house.

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He solicits work from the adjacent country, as he is prepared to contract for building, or to any kind of repairing. je 18-11

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By order of the Board of Directors:

**JE 25-3**